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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the use of school district physical
2 plant and equipment levy revenue and statewide school
3 infrastructure funding.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 297.22, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
2 2011, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. The board of directors of a school district may sell,
4 lease, exchange, give, or grant, and accept any interest
5 in real property to, with, or from a county, municipal
6 corporation, school district, community college for the purpose
7 specified in section 298.3, subsection 1, paragraph "n",
8 township, or area education agency if the real property is
9 within the jurisdiction of both the grantor and grantee.

10 Sec. 2. Section 298.3, subsection 1, Code 2011, is amended
11 by adding the following new paragraph:

12 NEW PARAGRAPH. n. Notwithstanding the requirement that
13 a school district have exclusive jurisdiction in all matters
14 within the territory of the school district under section
15 274.1, joint infrastructure projects with one or more school
16 districts or one or more school districts and an Iowa community
17 college for buildings or facilities constructed or leased for
18 the purpose of offering classes under a district-to-community
19 college sharing agreement or concurrent enrollment program
20 that meets the requirements for funding under section 257.11,
21 subsection 3.

22 Sec. 3. Section 423F.3, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code
23 2011, is amended to read as follows:

24 a. If the board of directors adopts a resolution to use
25 funds received under the operation of this chapter solely for
26 providing property tax relief by reducing indebtedness from
27 the levies specified under section 298.2 or 298.18 or for the
28 purpose specified in section 298.3, subsection 1, paragraph
29 "n", the board of directors may approve a revenue purpose
30 statement for ~~that purpose~~ such purposes without submitting the
31 revenue purpose statement to a vote of the electors.

32 EXPLANATION

33 This bill authorizes the use of revenue from the regular
34 and voter-approved physical plant and equipment levies to be
35 expended for joint infrastructure projects with one or more

1 school districts or one or more school districts and an Iowa
2 community college for buildings or facilities constructed
3 or leased for the purpose of offering classes under a
4 district-to-community college sharing agreement or concurrent
5 enrollment program that meets the requirements for funding
6 under Code section 257.11(3).

7 The bill authorizes the board of directors of a school
8 district, by resolution, to use local sales and services
9 tax revenue received under Code chapter 423F for joint
10 infrastructure projects with one or more school districts or
11 one or more school districts and an Iowa community college for
12 buildings or facilities constructed or leased for the purpose
13 of offering classes under a district-to-community college
14 sharing agreement or concurrent enrollment program that meets
15 the requirements for funding under Code section 257.11(3),
16 following approval of a revenue purpose statement, without
17 submitting the revenue purpose statement approving such use of
18 funds to a vote of the electors.

19 The bill adds community colleges to the list of entities
20 that a board of directors of a school district may sell, lease,
21 exchange, give, or grant, and accept any interest in real
22 property to, with, or from if the real property is within the
23 jurisdiction of both the grantor and grantee and it is for a
24 joint infrastructure project with one or more school districts
25 and an Iowa community college for buildings or facilities
26 constructed or leased for the purpose of offering classes under
27 a district-to-community college sharing agreement or concurrent
28 enrollment program that meets the requirements for funding
29 under Code section 257.11(3).